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TO: COUNCIL CHAIR ERNEST MARTIN
HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

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COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

FROM: COUNCILMEMBER JOEY MANAHAN

SUBJECT: Travel Report on Travel to Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii

For your information, attached is a travel report summarizing my travel participation in the World Eskrima Kali Arnis Federation World Championship 2018 in Lahaina, Maui on July 22, 2018.

If you have any questions regarding the report, you may call me at extension 85007 or email jmanahan@honolulu.gov.

Thank you for your consideration.

World Eskrima Kali Arnis Federation
CM Manahan Participation 7-22-2018

I was formally invited to the World Eskrima Kali Arnis Federation (WEKAF) World Championships held at the Lahaina Civic Center in Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii from July 19 to 23, 2018, formal invitation is included with this travel report.

The theme of the event was, "Unity in Diversity: A Cultural Gathering." The event is as best described by the organizers as a tribute to the legacy of the diverse cultures that shaped the social landscape of Hawaii.

During the plantation era, various ethnic groups brought with them their own unique culture and arts, including their respective country's martial arts.

With that, the event showcased not just the martial arts aspect from the Philippines, but also Polynesian and Hawaiian cultural aspects was showcased mainly through the dance competition and performances and art exhibits lining the Lahaina Civic Center.

The schedule for the tournament and festivities were as follows:

Thursday, July 19

- Parade of Nations
- Sayaw portion (forms)
- Aloha Reception Program

Friday, July 20

- Forms portion
- Padded stick and knives portion
- Bangkaw (team fighting) portion

Saturday, July 21

- Live single and double sticks portions
- Tahitian dance competition

Sunday, July 22

- Continuation of live and single double sticks portions
- Awarding/Closing Ceremony and Cultural Entertainment and Oath Taking of Delegates of Member Countries

Monday, July 23

- Grand Masters' Seminar

I attended the last day of competition, Sunday, July 22, 2018 and participated in the Awards and Closing Ceremony and assisted in the oath taking for the delegates of Member Countries, including Great Britain, Germany, Canada, Romania, United States, China, South Korea, and many more.

It was surreal to see more than 15 countries participating in the world renowned tournament and those who are passionate in promoting the martial art forms and practices.

In conclusion, the promotion of culture and athleticism through the tournament showcased by representatives and organizers around the world that Filipino martial arts is more than just showcasing of stick-fighting. It also instills a variety of positive traits in those who practice it, including discipline, respect, coordination, and focus. It was a great opportunity to also showcase and represent the State of Hawaii with my counterparts at the County of Maui to show that the State supports the cultivation of culture through martial arts.

Photos:



Participants from Team Romania – Team Romania also hopes to host the world tournament in the near future.



I am honored to meet the founder (to my left) of the World Eskrima Kali Arnis Federation, Supreme Grand Master Dionisio Canete. Also pictured are Grand Masters from Cebu, Philippines.



It was an honor to present certificates to the outgoing-WEKAF President, Mr. Norman Charles of Great Britain/United Kingdom. With him is his son and the organizer of the Doce Pares/WEKAF-Hawaii, Grand Master Robert Garcia of Honolulu, Hawaii.





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CLAIM FOR TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

Date: 7/23/2018

Traveler: Joey Manahan

Event: 15th World Eskrima Kali Arnis Federation

Location: Maui, HI

Dates: From 7/22/18

To 7/22/18

Description	Amount	Notes:
1. Registration Fee		
2. Airfare		
3. Hotel		
4. Meals		
5. Ground Transportation	64.14	Car rental
6. Tips		
7. Other	8.58	Gas
Other		
Other		
8. Adjustment		
TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT	72.72	

This is to certify that the above data, based upon receipts submitted to Council Administrative Support Services via a CCLTRVL02 form, is accurate. Further, I am claiming reimbursement for expenses associated with a trip in which City business was conducted and personal funds were used to advance payment.


Signature of Traveler

Date